

Attachment 2 – Eligible Applicant Documentation

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Eligible applicants are local agencies. The applicant must provide a written statement (and additional information if noted) containing the appropriate information outlined below:

- ✧ *Is the applicant a local public agency as defined in CWC 10701(a)? Please explain.*
- ✧ *What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?*
- ✧ *Does the applicant have legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?*
- ✧ *Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of the project and tracking of funds.*

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The Northeastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Banking Authority (GBA) is the Regional Water Management Group charged with developing the GMP, the IRWMP, and this grant application. The GBA is a local agency as defined in CWC 10701(a).



What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?

The GBA is a Joint Powers Authority formed in 2001 to provide regional water management to correct declining groundwater levels in the non-Delta portions of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Basin. The GBA provides regional water management services for this area, and organized the planning group which developed the IRWMP and the associated Environmental Impact Report. In 2009, the Region participated in the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) Region Acceptance Process (RAP) and was unconditionally accepted to compete in the next round of IRWMP grants.

The planning group includes 14 water agencies, 13 municipal and county agencies, six state and federal agencies, and over 14 community interest groups. These groups are listed in Table 1.

By definition, each member agency of the GBA is there willingly, and there by resolution of its governing body.

This inclusive group of participants guided development of the IRWMP through a Coordinating Committee and a Board appointed by the represented water management groups. The Board and Coordinating Committee have endorsed GBA's submittal of the IRWMP and related documents (e.g. EIR, grant applications, RAP) as the Regional Water Management Group.

Does the applicant have legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?

The GBA is considered a local agency as defined in CWC 10701(a). It has legal authority to enter into grant agreements with the State of California.

Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of the project and tracking of funds.



The JPA form of governance as provided by Government Code Section 6500 et. seq. allows the GBA to have administrative and legal powers common to its members. All full GBA members have statutory authority over water supply planning and water management. The GBA is responsible for overall contract administration, project management, and project reporting. Since its formation, the GBA has retained legal counsel, administrative services, and consultants to plan, develop, and implement identified IRWM programs, prepare the IRWM Plan, the Program EIR, grant applications, and the RAP submittals. The GBA is funded through member contributions, and managed through an annual budgeting process. All expenditures must be approved by the GBA Board. This process ensures performance of the work under this proposal, and provides the existing mechanism for accountability and tracking of funds.



Table 1 - Eastern San Joaquin IRWMP Participants

Participating Entity	Groundwater Banking Authority Member	GBA Coordinating Committee	Statutory Authority over Water Supply or Water Management	Basis and Nature of Authority
Water Agencies				
Amador Water Agency			X	Retail water agency, Regional water partnership
Calaveras Public Utility District			X	Retail water agency, Regional water partnership
California Water Service Company	X	X	X	Retail water agency
Central Delta Water Agency	X	X	X	Wholesale water agency
Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District	X	X	X	Retail water agency
Contra Costa Water District			X	Retail water agency
Jackson Valley Irrigation District			X	Retail water agency, Regional water partnership
North San Joaquin Water Conservation District	X	X	X	Retail water agency
San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District	X	X	X	County government; Flood management agency
San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation ¹	X	X		Industry group; Community organization
South Delta Water Agency	X	X	X	Wholesale water agency
South San Joaquin Irrigation District		X	X	Retail water agency
Stockton East Water District	X	X	X	Wholesale and retail water agency
Woodbridge Irrigation District	X	X	X	Retail water agency
Municipalities and County Government				
Alpine County			X	Regional water partnership
Amador County			X	Regional water partnership
Calaveras County			X	Regional water partnership
City of Escalon			X	Wastewater agency
City of Lathrop			X	Wastewater agency
City of Lodi	X	X	X	Retail water agency; Wastewater agency; Municipal power
City of Manteca		X	X	Retail water agency; Wastewater agency
City of Ripon			X	Wastewater agency
City of Stockton	X	X	X	Retail water agency; Wastewater agency
Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority		X	X	Regional water partnership
San Joaquin Area Flood Control Association			X	Flood management agency
San Joaquin County		X	X	County government ² ; Wastewater agency; Flood management agency; Stormwater management; Well permitting
Stanislaus County			X	Regional water partnership
State and Federal Agencies				
California Department of Water Resources		X	X	State agency; CWMB MOU
Lawrence Livermore Lab				Federal agency
Natural Resource Conservation Service				Federal agency
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers				Federal agency
U.S. Geologic Survey		X		Federal agency
US Bureau of Reclamation				Federal agency
Miscellaneous Community Interests				
Contra Costa Water District			X	Retail water agency
East Bay Municipal Utility District		X	X	Retail water agency
Galt Economic Development Task Force				Community organization
Great Valley Center				Community organization
Mokelumne/Amador/Calaveras (MAC) Association				Inter-regional water management group
Mokelumne Forum				Inter-regional water management group
Morada Area Association		X		Community organization
Office of Assemblyperson Barbara Matthews				Representative
Office of State Senator Charles Poochigian				Representative
Pacific Gas and Electric				Electrical corporation
Restore the Delta				Community organization
Sierra Club				Environmental group
Stockton Area Water Suppliers			X	Water management group
Stockton Chamber of Commerce				Industry organization

¹ Associate Member

² County is Responsible for Special Districts except for Lockeford and Linden who self govern.

